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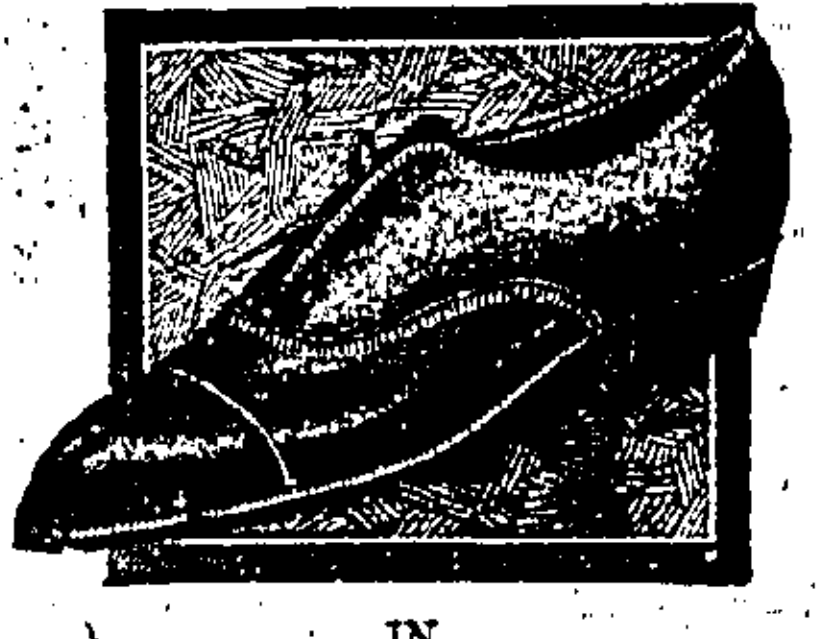
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### REVIVAL OF BOLSHIEV TERRORISM.

London, October 8th.  
Recent telegrams from Omak report that in consequence of the successes of the anti-Bolshievic forces, the Soviet authorities have ordered the revival of extreme terrorist measures.

### DENIKIN RECOGNISES INDEPENDENCE OF POLAND AND FINLAND.

Helsingfors, October 8th.  
General Denikin's representative in Finland, General Krasnov, has arrived in Helsingfors. He declared that the Denikin Government has unconditionally recognised the independence of Poland and Finland.  
He said that the Allies have supplied the "White" Army with such a quantity of war material that there was no doubt the Bolsheviks would be crushed.

### GENERAL DENIKIN OCCUPIES VORONEZH.

London, October 8th.  
A Bolshevik communiqué admits that General Denikin has occupied the important town of Voronezh.  
General Denikin, in a communiqué, announces the capture of 15,000 prisoners and 15 guns in the region of Voronezh.

### GERMAN TROOPS STILL HESITATING.

Berlin, October 8th.  
The German Free Corps in Courland, in a proclamation addressed to the German Fatherland and all civilised peoples, says that notwithstanding the orders of the German Government, issued under Zentgraf's pressure, the Corps will remain on the front to protect the German frontier against the Bolsheviks.  
A semi-official announcement from Berlin says that as a result of the Government's appeal to the Baltic troops, transports are continually arriving at home, but a part of the troops is still hesitating.

### ANOTHER AMERICAN TRIBUTE.

London, October 8th.  
Lord Robert Cecil, speaking at an American Press luncheon in London, described the strike as a most serious phenomenon. He urged the avoidance of class antagonism, emphasising that the status of Labour must be changed.  
Mr. John W. Davis, the American Ambassador, drew attention to the good feeling displayed in the strike, which was a great example to the people of the civilised world.  
The attitude of the people had demonstrated love of law and order and a determination to preserve order. For this the whole of civilisation must thank the English people.

### AUSTRIAN DEPUTY FIRED AT.

Berlin, October 8th.  
A Viennese civilian, fired six shots at Deputy Haase, to-day, outside the Reichstag. Herr Haase was severely wounded.

### IMPORTANT MISSION TO GERMANY.

Paris, October 8th.  
General Fayolle relinquishes the command of the Rhine Armies of Occupation in order to proceed on an important mission to Germany.  
Le Temps states that he will head the Commission for ensuring German disarmament.  
General Degoutte, who fought side by side with the British in Flanders, is taking over the chief Command of the Armies of Occupation on the Rhine.

### RECOLLECTIONS OF LORD HALDANE.

London, October 8th.  
The Westminster Gazette publishes the recollections of Lord Haldane from 1898 to 1914, when he was War Minister.  
Lord Haldane relates the steps taken to reorganise the army in order to cope with the apprehended German peril. He also relates his conversations with the ex-Kaiser and General von Bulow when he visited Berlin in 1909, (which are already known), also the ex-Kaiser's visit to Windsor in 1907, when the proposal to hold a conference in Berlin between Britain, France, Russia and Germany, relative to the Bagdad railway interests, was accepted, but subsequently rejected by Berlin. Lord Haldane expresses the opinion that if the Bagdad question had been settled, one great obstacle to reconciling Germany with British and French interests would have disappeared.

### BULGARIAN PREMIER RESIGNS.

Paris, October 8th.  
The Bulgarian Premier, Dr. Theodoroff, has resigned.

### THE HOME RULE ACT.

London, October 8th.  
The Daily Mail states that the law officers of the Crown have discovered that, under the Suspensory Act, the Home Rule Act operates automatically on the day the last belligerent, namely Turkey, signs the Peace Treaty, and not as generally assumed, six months later.  
The Government will therefore be compelled to formulate and pass proposals for an amendment to the Home Rule Act within the next few weeks.  
The Cabinet yesterday discussed the special Committee's report, which gives a wide measure of Home Rule, excluding counties where Ulstermen predominate, including proportional representation and a Senate designed to protect the Protestants outside Ulster.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### UNEMPLOYED GERMANS FOR RUSSIA.

Paris, October 8th.  
Le Matin states that the Berlin Council of Workers, who have been charged with eastward emigration, are negotiating with the Moscow Government for the despatch of 800,000 German unemployed to Soviet Russia.

### BRITISH TROOPS OCCUPY BRUSSEL.

Antwerp, October 8th.  
A telegram from Smyrna states that British troops have occupied Brussels, having met with little resistance.

### RATIFYING THE PEACE TREATY.

London, October 8th.  
Reuter learns that replies having been received from all the British Dominions, the King's ratification of the Peace Treaty is imminent.

### MORE FRENCH STRIKES.

Paris, October 8th.  
Chiefly owing to the high cost of living, a strike broke out on the railways and in various factories in Sarrebruck and the suburbs.

Owing to a demonstration by the strikers, a state of siege has been proclaimed at Sarrebruck. Some of the leaders were arrested, but were subsequently released.

### SINGAPORE GOVERNORSHIP.

London, Oct. 7.  
Sir Laurence Nunn, Guillemard, K.C.B., has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements.  
[Born in 1862 Sir Laurence Guillemard has been chairman of the Board of Customs since 1908 and of the Amalgamated Board of Customs and Excise since 1909. He was private secretary to Sir W. V. Harcourt and Sir M. Hicks-Beach.]

### CHINESE GOVERNMENT LOAN.

London, Oct. 8.  
An issue of £200,000 Chinese Government eight per cent. ten year sterling treasury notes at 98, issued to Victoria in payment for supplies to the Chinese Government, was quickly underwritten.

### OBITUARY.

London, October 8th.  
The death is announced of Major-General Sir Charles Henry Scott, K.C.B., Col-Commandant, R.A.

### THE SILVER MARKET.

London, October 8th.  
Silver is quoted at 63½d. spot and 63½d. forward. The market is steady.

### HONGKONG PIECE GOODS.

The demand for nearly all lines of cotton piece goods which has existed in North China for some time has finally been reflected in market conditions in Hongkong, and piece goods importers there believe that fair business may be anticipated. The Hongkong trade in all staple lines has been particularly active especially in Greys and whites; in fact, the demand for some goods has been so brisk that deliveries have been made directly ex ship. A very considerable portion of Hongkong stocks have been shipped to North China to meet the stronger demand there, and sales have been made at advanced prices, though, as a rule, the Hongkong prices have not advanced as rapidly or as far as replacing costs. There has also been a very brisk trade in some grades of fast-black Italians and Venetians and practically all other items in Fancies. Orders have been placed recently for a very fair supply of American fancy goods—the best line of orders the United States has received from the Hongkong piece-goods market for some time. Trade has been greatly interfered with by the delay in cable service, which has been so great most of the time that prices have advanced beyond the reach of Hongkong orders while the latter were in transit.

### DIPHTHERIA—HOW IT MAY BE AVOIDED.

DIPHTHERIA is usually contracted when the child has a cold. The cold prepares the child's system for the reception and development of the diphtheria germs. When there are cases of diphtheria in the neighbourhood children should be kept at home and off the street until recovered. Give them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and they will not have to remain at home long. It also cleans out the culture from the throat, and minimizes the risk of contracting infectious disease or for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## NAVAL OUTING TO CANTON.

Through the instrumentality of the Chaplain of H.M.S. "Tamar" Rev. F. G. B. Hastings, assisted financially by a few of his Hongkong friends, another very successful outing for a Naval party from "Tamar" took place this week, Canton being visited.

The party accompanied by the Chaplain left Hongkong by S.S. "Kinshan" 10 p.m. Wednesday and after a delightful moonlight trip arrived Canton 6.30 a.m. next day. Disembarking about 6.50 a.m. the party was met on the Quay by a guide who led the way to the Victoria Hotel, Shamoen, where a glorious breakfast was awaiting. This repast completed the party was taken around the ancient city in chairs escorted by guides alighting at various places of interest to inspect and to hear from the guides all information about these places, their history etc.

Several workshops were visited where articles of many descriptions were seen in the actual process of manufacture by the Chinese workmen. This tour was not only interesting but very educational, and on its completion the party adjourned to the Victoria Hotel where an excellent tiffin was served and which was thoroughly enjoyed, thanks to the Proprietor Mr. Farmer, and his able Manager Mr. Eyles, who saw that nothing was lacking in the way of food or comfort for the Naval party as well as keeping up their reputation with regard to the residents and other visitors at the Hotel.

After tiffin a photograph of the party was taken and then a dispersal took place for a ramble around on one's own to see any other portion of Canton that had been omitted in the forenoon. (1) Shamoen was visited. (2) Sun Coy. from the top roof of which a most magnificent panorama of the city could be viewed. (3) The water front with its vast concourse of boats and families. The return journey was commenced at 5 p.m. another fine moonlight trip being enjoyed. Dinner was partaken on board which proved beneficial, substantial and was well served.

During dinner Master at Arms Beal rose and thanked the Chaplain on behalf of the Naval ratings for the many outings, whistdrives etc. that he (the Chaplain) had organised for their enjoyment and assured him that such organisations had not been in vain. They were all appreciated to the full and much benefit had been obtained by the men from them. No Chaplain could have worked harder or more untriflingly for the welfare of the men and hoped that his successor would be of a similar disposition.

The Chaplain's health was then drunk and the good old song "For he's a jolly good fellow" sung quite royally heartily, with 3 cheers at the conclusion.

The Chaplain in replying thanked M.A.A. Beal for the kind remarks and appreciation and said that he was glad to learn his efforts towards the enjoyment for the men had not been in vain and was pleased to accompany them on any of the picnics when possible and he always enjoyed them. He was sorry to remark that very probably he would be shortly leaving but he should carry away pleasant memories of Hongkong Naval Outings.

M. A. A. Beal then asked the Chaplain to convey on behalf of the men who had participated in the various outings their grateful thanks to his friends who had always been ever eager to assist him whenever he desired to organise an outing or a picnic or a whistdrive and to inform them that their assistance was highly appreciated, not forgetting the Hongkong Canton and Macao Steamboat Company for their great concession viz., reduction in the fares for this particular trip and also previous ones. Before concluding and as this is possibly the last of the splendid trips etc. Master at Arms Beal remarked that he had been approached by various ratings on board who desired to know if they could not show in a tangible form their esteem and appreciation for the Chaplain for his untiring efforts in connection with the outings which had been so much enjoyed, and when a small subscription from those who cared to subscribe was mooted it met with enthusiasm and good responses so much so that a nice gold watch and chain was the gift presented to the Chaplain who accepted it with great pleasure and remarked that it was really more than he deserved as he considered the services he rendered in connection with the various organisations were very small when compared with the beautiful present but he accepted it with great gratitude and would treasure it highly.


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Hongkong, October 9, 1919.

**BANK HOLIDAY.**

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Hongkong, October 9, 1919.

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Hongkong, October 8, 1919.

**NAVAL DOCKYARD WORKERS' CLAIMS.**

The Admiralty has issued an official reply to the Royal Dockyard workmen on their established claim who asked for increased superannuation allowances, and that retirement should be at 55 years instead of at 60 years of age. Also that pensions be based on hired time rates of pay. In their reply the Admiralty states that the basis of calculation for pensions is the same for dockyard employees as that which applies throughout the Civil Service. It was added that: "My Lords see no sufficient grounds for setting up special rules for dockyard employees as distinct from the Civil Service generally in this matter." With regard to war bonuses being included in the amount on which pensions are calculated attention was directed to an agreement arrived at between the Treasury and various Civil Service associations on the question of reckoning war bonus (within limits) for pension purposes, and it was requested that steps be taken to bring the details of this agreement to the notice of all concerned. No reply is given to the other requests.

**INDIAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**

**QUESTIONS ON THE TAX AND GOLD MINING.**

At the Viceroy's Legislative Council on September 9 Sir Dinshaw Wacha asked: "Does the exemption granted to the tea industry from payment of the income-tax continue, and what was the loss to revenue from that exemption in 1918?" Mr. Howard, Finance Minister, said the answer to the first part of the question is in the negative, but assessment of the tax has been postponed pending the decision of the Calcutta High Court on the last case. To answer the second part of the question is not possible without a detailed examination of the books of all the companies concerned, and in view of the labour which this would entail the Government do not feel justified in asking the companies to supply the information.

Mr. Howard, replying to Sir Dinshaw Wacha, said it is the case that the minting of gold coins at the Bombay branch of the Royal Mint has been suspended. This was done on a suggestion from His Majesty's Treasury as their Deputy-Master, who was in charge of the Bombay Mint, had to be invalided in April last. In point of fact it was a substantial convenience for the Government of India to be able to utilise the plant of the Gold Mint in order to supplement that of their own Silver Mint, the resources of which were severely taxed in order to cope with great demand for rupee coinage, while at the same time, experience had shown that owing to the large internal premium on gold the minting of gold coins for use as currency was in present circumstances of little assistance, as such coins did not remain in circulation. The resumption of the gold coinage in India will depend on the future currency policy of the Government as arrived at after the Indian Exchange and Currency Committee now sitting in London has concluded its deliberations.

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#### BIRTH.

GOW.—On October 11, at Kowloon Dock, to Mr. and Mrs. David Gow, a daughter.

#### DEATHS.

HARDY.—On October 2, by drowning, near Soochow, China, Herbert Alfred (Boyrie), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hardy, aged 12 years and three months.  
LOPEZ.—On October 4, at Shanghai, Hildebrand John Nepomuceno, aged 49 years.

**The China Mail.**

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCT. 11, 1919.

#### GYMKHANA SERMON.

To-day the sportsmen rally  
Around our lovely course,  
A truly happy valley  
Though a pony aint a horse.  
On both sides mountain sheltered  
Adorned with lovely trees  
In sunshine have we sweeter  
Or sought the pumuck's breeze.  
Across the grassy paddock  
As turf as the links  
As thrifty as a haddock  
We've climbed the stairs for drinks.  
How nice to hear the clinking  
Of ice within the glass  
While we the cooler drinking  
Observe the ponies pass.  
We see D. b. g. n. hurry  
And G. m. r. in his box  
And all go in a scurry  
To the tote in eager flocks.  
"Give me one on Burning Daylight  
I think he's bound to win"  
And maybe is a certainty  
The first three to be in.  
With shouts and jolly chuckles  
We pour out to the rails  
'Tis thus in "sportin' suckles"  
That interest prevails.  
O happy crowd of people  
O sunny, merry day  
There's a point to every steepie  
And one to this our lay.  
As the hooves flash by with thunder  
And the numbers go topside  
And you now begin to wonder  
How the pari will divide.  
Do you ever see the meaning  
That's behind the dividend?  
How the one who wins is leaning  
On some far less lucky friend?  
It is so in other matters  
In the wide world's social bog  
He who wins too lightly scatters  
Don't forget the Under Dog.

#### OUR LOCAL POETS.

As we suspected, all they needed was a little encouragement. If the *China Mail*, by throwing open its columns to local poets, helps to produce one good poet, or even only one good poem, it will have done well. They mustn't mind jeers. Indeed, one of the finest lessons a man can learn is how to disregard jeers. Francisco M. Benedicto, whose effusion we print to-day, seems to jeer, but as he jeers in measured language clearly meant to represent blank verse, he occupies a glass house and will probably suffer answering stones. Let's hope he can take chaff as well as give it.  
Read, meditate, reflect, grow wise  
In vain;  
Try every dodge of those Olympic folk;  
Yet shall you never the poet's power attain,  
Until you've learned to bear the cynic's joke.  
Nor let them be slaves to mock modesty. There is no reason why they should not boldly label their output poetry. There is no settled definition of poetry. No man can say of a measured verse, this is, or this is not, poetry. Taste alone decides, and each man has his own. Tennyson claims for the poet's mind:  
"Clear and bright it should be ever,  
Flowing like a crystal river;  
Bright as light and clear as wind.  
But a man with such a mind  
Wouldn't be a poet; he'd be a millionaire."  
Lowell claims it as a guide to "beauty, truth, and love," but that would hardly fit our Kiplings. Southey and Byron quarrelled over the principles of poetry, and both men wrote verses that, produced locally, would have been jeered at as doggerel.  
Why mock at each self-deemed immortal?  
To-day he is lord of his kind.  
It is generally held that from poetry we must expect more feeling than reason, more emotion than logic, therefore it is a good medium for squabbling, as we saw when William Watson told us of "the woman with the serpent's tongue." The task of finding rhymes and measuring feet should give a man time to regain control of his temper, however. This nonsense of Francisco Benedicto's about poets being born, not made, has lasted over 2,000 years and is as untrue now as it was when first expressed. "True ease in writing comes from art, not chance."  
I started once, or seemed to start, in pain,  
Resolved on noble things, and strove to speak,  
As when a great thought strikes along the brain.

And flushes all the cheek.  
Alas! I searched, I strove for rhymes in vain,  
And found my great thought had begun to leak.

Nothing but patience and perseverance could help the poet out of that hole. Inspiration is very like the night before; performance brings the feeling of the morning after. So many poets miscarry, instead of being born. In the language of this afternoon, they also run, but are not placed.

What we would like to see our contributors essay is satiric verse. In this humour must be present to save it from being mere invective, and literary form to redeem it from commonplace jeering. Benedicto's literary form is hardly good enough. On his own showing he doesn't exist, because he was not born, and has failed to be quite made. Satire recalls whenever charged too high;  
Round your own fame the fatal splinters fly.  
As the soft plume gives swiftness to the dart,  
Good-breeding sends the satire to the heart.

That is where we rather slipped up ourselves when tilting with a local poet, and used a word for the sake of the rhyme that we didn't really mean. But "hard words break no bones," and  
Even the whole world, blockheads and men of letters,  
Enjoy a cannonade upon their better.

At the same time, in a comparatively small community, the satirist at his first setting forward ought to know  
That every rogue who reads will be his foe;  
That the rude breath of scandal will provoke  
Many who feel, and more who fear the stroke.  
So that's that—and quite enough for a race day, when everybody's preoccupied with better fun.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 4/2 11/16d.

To-day's return of communicable disease shows one case of gastro-enteritis.

Engineer Captain Ferguson, R.N., has been appointed to the Hongkong Naval Dockyard. He is now en route here.

All who are interested in hockey are invited to attend a meeting in the Hongkong Cricket Club pavilion on Tuesday evening.

Major F. G. C. Walker, M.C., has returned to Shanghai and is rejoining the Health Department of the Municipal Council.

Mr. C. Imhoff, a former German subject, a professor at St. Joseph's college, Yokohama, has obtained French citizenship.

The s.s. "Nile" (C. M. Co.) left this morning for San Francisco, via Shanghai and Japan ports. She carried a large number of passengers.

The s.s. "Sui Yang" (B. & S.) Captain J. Gibbs, 159 tonnage, arrived yesterday from Shanghai with 1 European passenger, and 500 tons of cargo.

The s.s. "Sogin Maru" (O.S.K.) Captain Toyota, leaves to-morrow morning at 10 for Takao via Amoy and Swatow, with 1500 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Tea" (B. & S.) Capt. Macdonald, 1351 tonnage, leaves to-day for Shanghai at 4 p.m. with 10 European passengers and 900 tons of general cargo.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending September 27, amounted to 72,660 tons and the sales during the period, to 83,757 tons.

By permission of the Chaplain, boxing, ball-punching, etc., will be taught by the well-known boxer, "Kid" Marriott, at the Seamen's Institute, 21, Praya East, Wanchai, twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays. See advt.

Major V. J. Scantlebury, R.G.A. who has been Major Instructor in Gunnery here for the past year is proceeding to New Zealand on demobilization. Major Scantlebury will probably leave in the s.s. "St. Albans."

Attention is drawn to an advertisement on page 5 concerning naturalization papers. We are requested to state that further information can be obtained from the Consul for Panama.

Monday the 13th instant, being a holiday the Hongkong Theatre is giving a special Matinee at 5 p.m., screening a Paramount film in 5 parts, featuring Kathleen Williams as protagonist in the beautiful drama "Big Timber." A fine comedy will be shown at interval.

## SPORTS.

### THE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

Sunday will see the second round of the Golf Championship finished, and there will then be eight players left to fight it out. The matches to be played on Sunday are:—

Dr. Lindsay Wood v. R. M. Smith.  
A. B. Stewart v. R. E. Lindsell.  
C. Bulmer Johnson v. Major Leslie Smith.

E. Davidson v. R. A. Brand.  
G. B. Cockrem v. Lieut. Col. Coles.  
G. S. Archbutt v. W. D. Kraft.

Lieut. Col. Harvey v. S. H. Dodwell.  
C. L. Sandes v. N. L. Smith.  
An examination of the above list would lead to the conclusion that the likeliest four to reach the semi-final stage are Stewart, Brand, Archbutt and the winner of the last tie on the list.

The Junior Championship, also, will finish its first round on Sunday, but here there is much more inequality among the players and he would be a bold man who would try to forecast until the last eight are on view.

The course at Fanling is in first class condition, and there is every opportunity for the best of golf.

### LAWN BOWLS.

#### SHANGHAI SCORES FOURTH WIN.

On the Police R.C. green last evening, the last of a series of 6 bowling matches arranged between the Shanghai team and the various local bowling Clubs was watched by a large gathering. The match proved to be very interesting and the visitors just managed to secure a victory by the narrow margin of 2 points. Scoring was rather slow and when the 21st head was concluded the score sheet read: Shanghai, 16; Police 14. The record of the visitors does them credit. In addition to the inter-port match, which they lost, they have played five matches, winning four and losing one. The full results of their tour are as follows:—

Beaten by Hongkong in the inter-port match by 27 points to 13;  
Defeated the Kowloon C.C. by 26 points to 23;  
Defeated the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 22 points to 18;  
Beaten by the Taikeo Club by 21 points to 14;  
Defeated the Civil Service Club by 24 points to 18;  
Defeated the Police Club by 16 points to 14.

It will be seen from that table that although the Visitors won the majority of the matches, Hongkong has the honour of having scored a bigger aggregate of points, namely, 121 to Shanghai's 115. The highest number of points scored in any one head was 6, which total the Kowloon C.C. obtained twice and the visitors once, all in the same match. Hongkong further has the honour of having scored the highest number of points in any one match, namely 27 shots in the inter-port contest.

The Shanghai visitors were six in number—A. Taylor, F. L. Marshall, J. C. MacDougall, A. A. Malcolm, G. McMurdo, and A. W. McCallum. Of these, only A. A. Malcolm represented the Northern Settlement in all the six matches. A Taylor played only against Hongkong and the Kowloon C.C. Marshall was in the matches against the Kowloon C.C., the Kowloon B.G.C., the Civil Service, and the Police. J. C. MacDougall played in all the matches except that with the Civil Service. McMurdo was in the teams which met the Civil Service, the Kowloon B.G.C., Taikeo, and the Police. A. W. McCallum appeared only against Hongkong, Taikeo, and the Civil Service. Of the Hongkong players, only Gow, of the Kowloon B.G.C.; Gerrard, of the Police; and Ferguson, of Taikeo, had the honour of playing against the visitors twice—the first occasion when they were in Hongkong's inter-port team and the second when they were playing for their respective Clubs.

Yesterday's match was not devoid of thrills to the bowling enthusiasts. It was the lowest scoring game of the series which the visitors have played in this Colony. Shanghai scored one point in the first head and the Police equalised. Shanghai obtained another point and Hongkong, by accurate play, drew level again. The rest of the game was of a similar character, with the visitors leading by two or three points almost all the while. The score was five all at the end of the eighth head, and seven all at the end of the eleventh head. Then Shanghai forged ahead and were not overhauled again. At the end of the eighteenth head the scores were: Shanghai, 15 points; Police, 10 points. In the last three games the Police made a special effort. They got a point in the nineteenth head, only to see their opponents do likewise in the next head. In the last head, the Police, amid some excitement, scored 3 shots. The scores at the end of the game were: Shanghai, 16 points; Police, 14.

Inspector Gordon officiated as referee and scorer.

## COMPANY MEETING.

### HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

A meeting of this company was held at the Hongkong Hotel at noon yesterday. Mr. H. Humphreys presided and there were present Rev. Fr. Robert and Mr. J. Scott Harston (Directors), Mr. G. Rapp (Secretary), Messrs. J. M. Alves, W. Morley, J. D. Humphreys, J. A. Tarrant and J. M. Wong.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, this meeting has been convened for the purpose of confirming the resolution which was passed on 24th Sept. last. I will therefore propose:—

"That the new articles approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the Articles thereof."

Mr. J. M. Alves seconded the motion, which was carried.

This was all the business.

### GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

#### THE GIST OF IT.

Mr. Harold Kennard Holmes is appointed a J.P.

Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, passed cadet, is appointed 2nd Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Mr. A. W. Heron is appointed to the Pilotage Board during Mr. H. Neave's absence.

Next criminal sessions are for Oct. 20.

Licensing Board meets on Nov. 7. On 11 days during September 3.57 inches of rain fell at the Botanical Gardens.

### GOVERNMENT HOUSE NOTES.

Yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Governor attended a meeting of the Council of the University of Hongkong, of which His Excellency is ex-officio Chancellor.

Mr. E. Suzuki, Consul-General for Japan, accompanied by Mr. T. Inouye, Vice-Consul, paid an official visit to Government House yesterday and was received by His Excellency.

Captain H. S. McGrath, Aide-de-Camp to H.E. the Governor, paid an official visit, yesterday, to H.E. the Governor of Macao, to whom he carried an autographed letter from Sir Reginald Stubbs.

H. E. the Governor has accepted the invitation of the chairman and directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. to be present at the launching of the s.s. "War Trooper" at Kowloon Dock this morning.

Captain G. K. Davis, U.S.S. "Helena," paid official visit to Government House, yesterday, and was received by His Excellency. Later in the day Captain McGrath, Aide-de-Camp, returned the call on board the U.S.S. "Helena" on behalf of His Excellency.

### SUICIDE OF CONSTABLE.

A Chinese constable stationed at Hung Hom has committed suicide by taking an over-dose of opium. He was discovered lying dead in bed at the station. The cause is not known.

The teams and scores were as follows:—

SHANGHAI.				POLICE.			
Heads.	Shots.	Total.	Shots.	Total.	Heads.	Shots.	Total.
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	1	2	0	2	1	2	2
5	1	3	0	3	1	3	3
6	2	5	0	5	1	3	3
7	0	5	1	3	1	3	3
8	0	5	2	5	1	3	3
9	2	7	0	7	1	3	3
10	0	7	1	6	1	3	3
11	0	7	1	6	1	3	3
12	2	9	0	7	1	3	3
13	1	10	0	7	1	3	3
14	1	10	0	7	1	3	3
15	0	11	1	8	1	3	3
16	0	11	2	10	1	3	3
17	2	13	0	10	1	3	3
18	2	15	0	10	1	3	3
19	0	15	1	11	1	3	3
20	1	16	0	11	1	3	3
21	0	16	3	14	1	3	3

### CRICKET.

#### C.S.C.C. 2ND XI v. R.A.M.C.

This match will be played on the Civil Service ground on Monday the 13th inst., commencing at 2.30 p.m. The following will represent the C.S.C.C.—W. Hill (Capt.), F. Bacon, G. Roylance, Duncan, G. H. Haskett, R. R. Wood, P. T. Lambie, E. C. Fincher, W. H. Edmonds, W. J. Langford and S. N. Piercy.

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was held, yesterday evening, in the Club premises at North Point. Mr. T. Arthur presided, and was supported by Commodore V. G. Gurner, R.N., Messrs. F. Smyth, D. K. Blair, E. W. Carpenter and R. E. MacDougall (Hon. Secretary). There was a fair attendance of members.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, your Commodore, Mr. Sutherland, is absent from the Colony and, as a senior member of the old Committee, I have been asked to take the chair at this meeting. I am sure you all regret the absence of the Hon. Mr. Sutherland, who has never missed a meeting.

Although the net profit is only half that of the previous year, a glance at the expenditure side of the working account will show you that generally the club has been run as economically as in former years and, as expensed in the report of the General Committee, the decreased profit is due to the revenue from buying membership and the but being less than last year on account of the absence of so many people from the Colony who formerly took advantage of the club during the summer months.

The value of the club has been allowed to stand at last year's figure, namely, \$14,700, which, your Committee consider, is well within the present value of property, and the value of boats and oars, which is now reduced to \$700, is also considered a very low estimate.

The report and statement of accounts were adopted on the motion of Commodore Gurner, seconded by Mr. F. Smyth.

#### ELECTION OF A COMMODORE.

The Chairman: I may mention that I have been approached to allow my name to be put forward for this honour but the nature of my business and the uncertainty of my being in the Colony during the whole year round has decided me not to allow my name to be put up. The experience of last season—when Mr. Sutherland had to go home on leave and Mr. Denison, who took his place, also went away from the Colony—is another argument why only one who can guarantee close attention for the whole period should occupy the position. I have pleasure, therefore, in proposing that Mr. Frank Smyth, who has already been Commodore of the Club and who has always shown a keen interest in yachting and rowing, be asked to assume command for a further term. Mr. A. Murdoch seconded this and it was agreed unanimously.

The Chairman: Before handing over the chair to Mr. Smyth, I should like to take the opportunity of thanking all those members of the Committee who have helped to make the year's yachting the success it has been, more especially with regard to the great amount of work that had to be done in organising last season's opening cruise. Mr. Sutherland was mainly responsible for this, and he worked very hard.

Commodore Gurner: In regard to the latter part of the Chairman's remarks, I should like to express my thanks, on behalf of the Navy, to Mr. Sutherland for the very enjoyable day we had here at the opening cruise. It was most appreciated by the ships and by all the men.

Mr. F. Smyth then took the chair. He said:—I have to thank you very much indeed for the kind way in which you have elected me to the position of commodore of the club. It is a very responsible position, and in my opinion a very illustrious position. I will do my best to further the interest of the club in every way that I can. I cannot at this moment outline the programme for the season, but I can assure you that sailing, which is my chief hobby, will have every attention, and the rowing section, which is going to be an important and growing one, will receive special attention. In that connection I should like to have any suggestion that rowing members wish to offer for the benefit of the Club and for their own special section. All suggestions received will be considered, and if possible given effect to. It is proposed to hold an opening cruise on the afternoon of Saturday, October 25. We should like to have made it a little later, but unfortunately the Gymkhana, which is to be held on the first Saturday in November, would clash with it if we did so. A week later than that would be too late because we wish to start the regular season's racing by that time. With regard to the championship sailing events, many members hitherto have found it somewhat awkward to attend a series of nine races, as they must in order to complete the championship series. My intention is to reduce the number to five, and, although we shall hold nine races in all, the other four races will be for a spoon competition, and it will not be necessary to attend them if it is found impossible. They will be, as they were, practice races, and I hope will prove of benefit to sailing members.

As regards the election of a Vice-Commodore, this will be subject to the decision of the extraordinary

## A SURPRISING VISITOR.

An amah was this morning charged before Mr. Smith with pawning a piece of clothing which she was given to mend. The defendant in the dock cried bitterly when the charge was explained to her, and said: "Oh, do let me go this time. I know it was an offense, but as I had no money to pay for my rent, I was obliged to pawn the coat. Let me go please, you do not know the result if I am to go into prison, I will redeem the coat."

The complainant, a school girl, said the defendant was a visitor to her mother. On her going home on a holiday, she saw defendant sewing. She admired her work, and she asked her to sew up a coat for her. The woman agreed. After a few days, the girl asked for the coat, and the woman gave excuses, and said the sewing was not yet finished. The girl was rather suspicious, and later ascertained that the coat was pawned.

His Worship: I give an order for you to redeem the coat, and it is to be returned to the girl, but I will fine you \$5.

Defendant: But where does the money come from?

His Worship: If you have no money to pay your fine, ten days' hard labour.

#### GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD LATER ON.

The appointment of a Vice-Commodore is necessary, as past experience have shown. I have great pleasure in proposing Mr. A. R. Lowe for the office. He is a keen yachtsman, a boat-owner—I think he owns two boats already—and I am sure he will be a very valuable addition to the Committee.

Mr. E. W. Carpenter seconded this, and it was carried unanimously. The other elections were as follows:—

#### HON. SECRETARY AND TREASURER:—

Mr. R. E. MacDougall.

#### SAILING COMMITTEE:—The Hon.

Mr. Arthur, D. K. Blair, H. S. Rouse, J. B. Thomson, and E. M. Sleigh.

#### ROWING COMMITTEE:—Commodore

V. G. Gurner, Messrs. E. W. Carpenter, A. Murdoch, J. S. McLean, R. L. Moncrieff, and Major Kirkpatrick.

#### THE GENERAL COMMITTEE WILL BE

selected from the above two Committees.

#### THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT HE

had received a letter from the Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor intimating that Sir Reginald Stubbs was willing to become the patron of the Club.

#### THE REPORT.

The report of the General Committee, 1918-1919 stated: The working account shows a net profit of \$11,773 after writing off for depreciation of boats and oars \$100, which, it is regretted, does not compare so favourably as could have been desired with that of the previous year, when net profit was \$228.32 after writing off \$448.74 for depreciation, and the explanation of this is that the net profit from the bathing section and bar is \$500 less than last year.

As shown by the balance-sheet the value of the club-house remains at \$14,700, boats and oars have now been written down to \$700, while there is at Bank a fixed deposit of \$1,000 and at current account \$668.05. The reserve account now stands at \$1,504.97.

#### EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

At an extraordinary general meeting, which followed, it was unanimously agreed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. H. S. Rouse, that the Articles of Association of the Club be altered as follows:—

(1) By inserting in place of article five the following article:—

"The general affairs and management of the Club, the making, adding to, or alteration of bye-laws and regulations for such management and the election of members shall be in the hands of a General Committee consisting of eight members and a Commodore and Vice-Commodore. Three members shall form a quorum at any meeting of the General Committee. The Commodore shall be ex-officio Chairman of the General Committee and have a casting vote. In the absence of the Commodore, a chairman shall be elected at each meeting who shall have a casting vote. Such General Committee shall consist exclusively of members of British nationality."

(2) By inserting in Article VI. after the words "and have a casting vote" in line 14 thereof the following words:—"The Vice-Commodore shall be ex-officio a member of both Committees."

(3) By inserting in Article VII. after the words "The Commodore," in the first line thereof the words "The Vice-Commodore," and after the words "with the Commodore" in the fifth line thereof the words "and the Vice-Commodore."

(4) By deleting the words "80th of September" in Article 45 and inserting the words "80th of October" in lieu thereof.

(5) By deleting the word "twenty" in article 47 and inserting the word "fifteen" in lieu thereof



## CORRESPONDENCE.

INTERPORT CRICKET-SING-  
FORE MATCH OFF.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Dear Sir,—I regret to inform you that the Secretary of the Singapore Cricket Club has notified me that he exceedingly regrets they are unable to get together an eleven to proceed to this Colony and that the proposed match will have to be abandoned.

I am, dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully,

P. M. HODGSON,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th October, 1919.

POLICE CHARGE AT SINN  
FEIN MEETINGMRS. SHEEHY-SKEFFINGTON  
INJURED.

An Aeridheacht (open air) meeting in Kilbeggan was not proclaimed, but at the hour announced District Inspector Carlyle arrived with a contingent of the North Devon Horse, and informed the organisers that only the concert could be allowed and that Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington would not be permitted to speak. The military then took possession of the field. At the appointed hour Mr. McGuinness, secretary of the Kilbeggan Sinn Fein Club, and Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington addressed the crowd from the road, but the gathering was later dispersed by the military and police.

Later in the evening a meeting was held in the Market Square at Kilbeggan. As Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington was speaking the police arrived and attempted to break up the meeting. As the speakers disregarded the interruption and the crowd remained intact, the police rushed to the platform, which they overthrew, flinging the speakers on the ground. A charge with fixed bayonets followed. Mr. McGuinness was arrested, but effected his escape with the help of the crowd.

Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington was struck on the head with the butt end of a rifle, and was taken to a neighbouring house, where the wound was dressed by Dr. Mooney, who attended several other victims, including a local volunteer, whose wounds were so serious that the last sacraments were administered.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The s.s. "Ariake Maru" (Capt. Sasakuni) is leaving at 3 p.m. to-day for Java and Port Moresby via Sourabaya.

The Fifteenth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Messrs. Wiseman Ltd. will be held on Saturday October 18. The Directors recommend paying a dividend of \$2.50 per share.

Commander F. J. B. Gibson, R.N., who was well known here for his cricket abilities has been awarded the C.B.E. This decoration was given to the Commander for his services as Chief Officer and Officer in charge of Hongkong War Signal Station, and later in the war for his services as Commander of a flotilla.

The s.s. "Nile" left the Naval Dockyard Basin yesterday afternoon and went alongside the North wall. Her repairs are due to be completed to-morrow after which she will be handed back to the China Mail s.s. Company. The "Nile" leaves for San Francisco on October 14.

Mr. Brand, of the raw silk department of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., has severed his connection with Shanghai after a residence of nearly 23 years. Mr. Brand, who is a native of Basle, Switzerland, has taken an active part in the doings of the community, and will long be remembered as a crack rifle shot, having on several occasions carried off the championship and represented Shanghai in interport matches. For many years he was a member of "A" Co., S.V.C., ultimately attaining commissioned rank. He left by the M.M.S. "Paul Lecat," bearing with him the best wishes of many friends. In future he will reside at Basle.

We have received the fourth number of Vol. 1 of the "New China Review," edited by Mr. Samuel Coulting M.A. and have noticed at length the article on the First League of Nations. The number contains a dozen excellent articles, mostly interesting to the student sinologist. Mr. W. A. Cornaby contributes an interesting study of "The Dream of the Red Chamber," a famous work in Chinese fiction, and Dr. Herbert Chatley continues his "Studies in Chinese Psychology," his theme for the fourth articles to the series being the idea that the Chinese practice and belief on the subject of heredity and ancestor worship can be expressed in terms of a continuous "family soul." Prospect Hill, Peking, is a beautiful etching by Major W. Percival Yetts, form the frontispiece.

## THE ORIGIN OF MAN.

HIGH APE, LOW APE, OR NO  
APE AT ALL.

There is a well-known story of an Anglo-Indian Editor, who, finding one day that his ideas had melted away in the summer heat, cut an editorial from the *Times*, and used it in his leader column, prefaced by the query, "What does the *Times* mean by this?" The story is quite credible because newspapers in Asia have been known to fill up in this manner without even such an original line as this. Were the tale of the Indian not one "with whiskers on it," as they say, we should have been tempted to believe that the following editorial, which appeared in the *Times* on Peace Day, was the original one which elicited the query as to its meaning.

Darwin and Huxley—accustomed a reluctant world to the general proposition that man, instead of being a separate creation, was a descendant and collateral of the animals. Part of their argument was based on a comparison between the structure and embryology of man and those of the highest apes, the gorilla, the orang, and the chimpanzee. The subject was so novel that people were surprised to be told that the great apes, like man, had lost their tails. Neither author maintained that man had arisen from any of the existing apes. To the popular mind, however, it seemed an inevitable inference that man must have come from the highest of the apes, if he came from any kind of ape. The schematic dogmatism of Haeckel confirmed the popular judgment. He invented theoretical creatures to take the place of the links supposed to be missing. The tendency of modern physiological research has, on the whole, supported the supposition of a closer affinity between man and the great apes than between him and any other animals. This has seemed particularly clear in investigations of the properties of the blood, and in the fact that it has been found possible to communicate some characteristics human diseases to great apes and to no other animals.

Anatomical and paleontological work has tended to oppose the earlier view. Comparative anatomists have failed to recognise the existence of a linear chain stretching from lemurs, through South American monkeys, Old World monkeys, and the great apes to man. It is now doubted if the lemurs have any place in human ancestry. The great apes, in many respects, are more closely allied to South American monkeys than to any Old World forms. Many features in human anatomy and embryology suggest that man is an extremely primitive creature and arose as a separate branch of the mammals, close to the monkey stem, but distinct from it. There have been many startling discoveries of human remains, such, for example, as the Pittdown skull from Sussex, so different from the modern type that American paleontologists have declared the jaw to be that of a chimpanzee, although the assumption involves the almost miraculous coincidence of a single fragment of a chimpanzee and of a human being occurring together in a locality and a geological horizon where neither had ever been found before. Two facts, however, are certain. Man is much more ancient than has hitherto been supposed, and the early remains show that in a very remote geological epoch there were human types so distinct that they must be regarded as belonging to different genera.

The trouble with this is not, perhaps, in its lack of meaning so much as in its peculiarity of expression, there being, as Lady Britomart in Mr. Shaw's play said, "a certain amount of tosh about the *Times*." The writer seems to contradict in the second paragraph what he said in the first, but what he really means by "the earlier view" is not Darwin's or Huxley's but Haeckel's. Perhaps he does not regard Darwin's and Huxley's as views at all but only as open questions, though we believe that both English evolutionists were quite positive on the subject of man being descended from some older form than the modern higher ape, and that Haeckel certainly did not depart from this view. What really happened is that Darwin, Huxley, and Haeckel were all so far affected by traditions concerning the comparatively recent appearance of man on the globe that they did not hypothesise so ancient a separation of man from the ape-like stock as further research has shown to be probable. What the *Times* means, however, by saying that physiological research confirms our near kinship with the higher apes and anatomical research demonstrates the great remoteness of that kinship it is certainly not easy to understand. And what does the *Times* mean by "Many features in human anatomy and embryology suggest that man is an extremely primitive creature"? One might as well say, on the strength of discovering traces of a forest grove in its structure, that a Gothic cathedral is an extremely primitive building. The meaning, perhaps, is that the division in the common stock from which man and the higher apes are descended took place among a remote and primitive ancestry. When, however, the *Times* deduces from Pittdown skulls and such like relics, that "in a very remote

geological epoch there were human types so distinct that they must be regarded as belonging to different genera," it gets dangerously near nonsense. If there were creatures that could be called human but which were of different genera, all but, one genus has long since died out, and the relics are certainly neither so plentiful nor so positive as to allow us to affirm any creatures worthy of being called man have ever existed except the species to which we all belong. That other branches of the stock from which apes and men descended attained a high intelligence is possible, but they emphatically would not be man—and they have not survived. What the *Times* is trying to say is that recent discoveries show that man has a difficult to define his relationship to the apes. But, it says, these discoveries are of creatures of different genera. It is obvious that man could have come from only one genus. Therefore the rest were not men. For that matter none of them may have been men or ancestors of man, and that would bring us back to the comparatively recent cousinship believed in by Darwin, Huxley, and Haeckel.—*Japan Chronicle*.

## CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

## YESTERDAY'S FUNCTION.

It was on October 10 last year, that the new Chinese Y.M.C.A. buildings at Bridges Street, were opened by the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn C.M.G. That day was a day for double rejoicing, as it was also the anniversary day of the Chinese Republic and there was a holiday. Yesterday being the occasion of the eighth anniversary of the Republic, the Y.M.C.A. buildings were decorated, with bunting, and indoor sports were held in the Gymnasium. His Excellency Sir Edward Stubbs accompanied by his Private Secretary paid a visit to the buildings at 3.30 p.m. He was received at the entrance by Dr. T. P. Woo the President of the Institution and Mr. J. L. MacPherson, the General Secretary. Others present were the Rev. Dr. T. V. Pearce L.D., Mr. H. A. Allen, Mr. F. M. Mohler, Mr. Ho Leison, (Associate Secretaries) and Mr. B. W. Tape. His Excellency was conducted round the buildings, and after visiting the Swimming Pool, entered the Gymnasium where a good gathering was present. An exhibition of gymnastic exercises was then given by the boys.

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W. CHATHAM,  
Director of Public Works.  
Public Works Department,  
Hongkong, October 10, 1919.

## G. R.

## MAGISTRACY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the LICENSING BOARD will be held in the Council Chamber on FRIDAY, the 7th day of November, 1919, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of considering applications for Licences, Restaurant Adjunct Licences and Hotel Keepers' Adjunct Licences for the year 1919-1920, under the Liquor Consolidation Ordinance, 1911.

Forms of applications may be obtained at the Magistracy. All applications must be forwarded to the Magistracy on or before WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of October, 1919, and must be accompanied by a deposit of Eight Dollars.

Applicants for transfers or new licences, and persons objecting to such applications, must appear in person.  
G. A. WOODCOCK,  
Secretary to the Licensing Board.  
Hongkong, October 10, 1919.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 13th October, 1919.  
By Order,  
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,  
Secretaries.  
Hongkong, October 11, 1919.

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Hongkong, October 11, 1919.

DECREE No. 21 OF  
1919

(JULY 10th.)

to dictate some regulations relating to the issuance of Naturalization Papers to foreigners.

THE FIRST DESIGNATE IN CHARGE OF THE  
EXECUTIVE POWER,

## CONSIDERING:

That Naturalization Papers granted to certain Chinamen, Syrians and Turks in years previous to 1910, at a time when it was legal to naturalize individuals belonging to those races, are not provided with photographs of their owners and are liable, therefore, to be used to contravene the legal regulations on Chinese, Syrian and Turkish immigration:

That, in a general way, it is convenient, for the purpose of identification, that Naturalization Papers should have attached thereon the photograph of the person to whom the Papers are issued.

## DECREE:

Article 1. A term of six months, from and on the date of the promulgation of this Decree, is given, in which all Chinamen, Syrians and Turks, who were granted Naturalization Papers, when said grant was not prohibited by law, shall appear at the Office of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs with a view to proceed to their identification, and attach to their Papers their finger prints and a copy of their photograph, leaving another picture in the files of the Office of the Secretary, attached to the respective copy. Both photographs shall be fixed in such a way as to make a substitution of same impossible, and

signed both by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs and the owner.

Article 2. Once the identification is made, the owners of the Papers shall be bound to inscribe those Papers in the Civil Register in accordance with article 921 of the present Civil Code, otherwise they shall be considered as illegal.

Article 3. The Civil Registrar shall not register any Naturalization Papers issued to any individual of Chinese, Syrian or Turkish origin, unless they are accompanied by a photograph of the owner of the Papers attached in the manner prescribed by the preceding article, as well as by their finger prints.

Article 4. Henceforward all Naturalization Papers which may be issued, must have attached thereon the photograph of the owner in the prescribed manner, and a picture will also be kept in the files of the Office of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs attached to the respective copy.

Article 5. This Decree shall be published, protulise, in the Spanish, English and Chinese languages, through the Republic of Panama, as well as through foreign countries.

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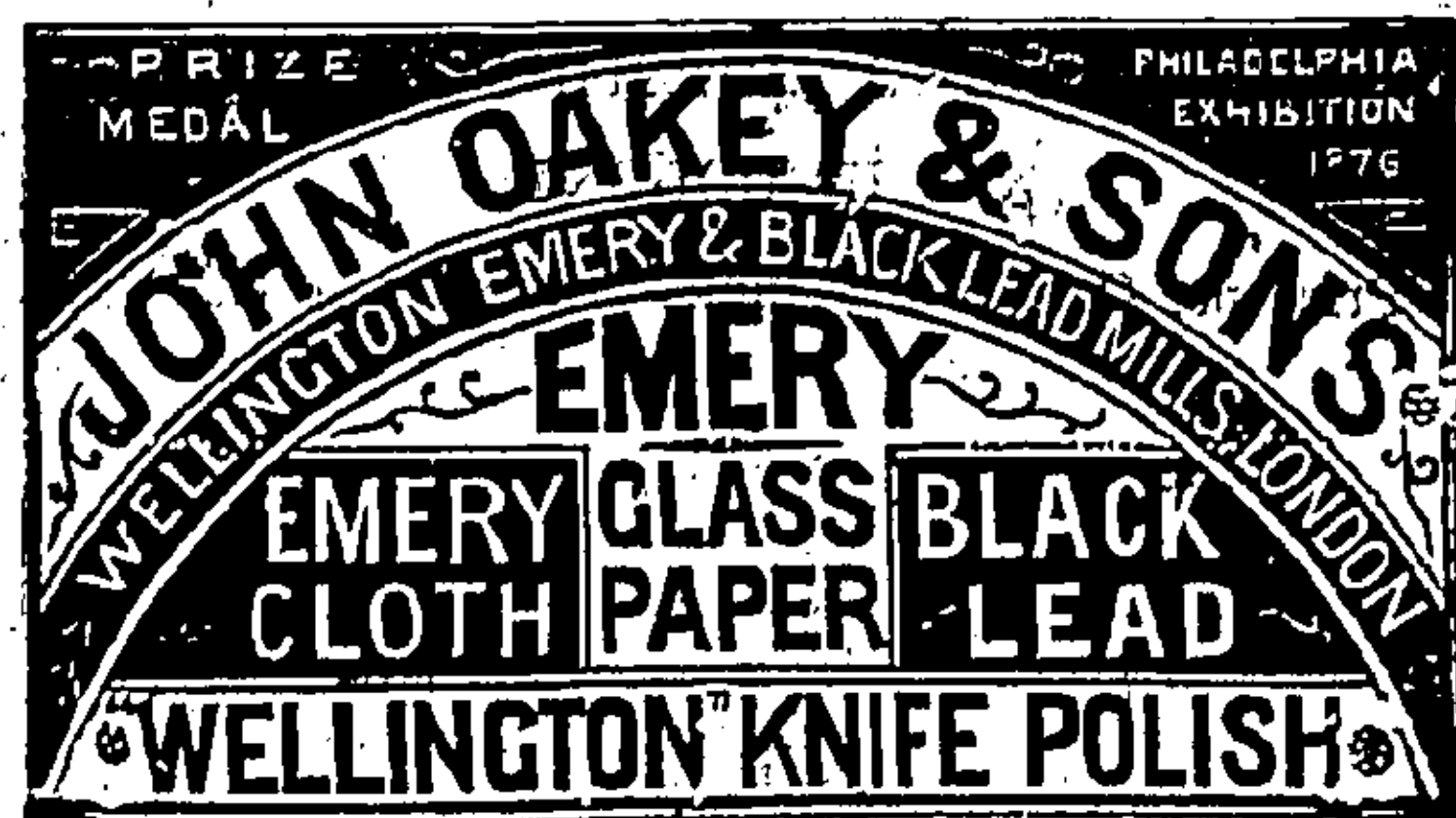
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KOBE	FOOKSANG	FRIDAY, Oct. 17, Daylight.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m.
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GO TO SEA?"

Continuing his narrative (in *Ship-  
ping and Engineering*) of his last  
voyage in the "Pheumph," Captain  
de la Sala describes how he rigged  
up four square sails out of derricks  
and awnings, using every available  
rope in the steamer, including even  
the boatfalls. This on account of  
shortage of coal and the typhoon  
delay. It is very interesting, but too  
technical to be worth reproducing  
for the general reader. He then goes  
on—

It has since come to light that  
we might have had a very  
serious breakdown, which would  
have necessitated the use of this  
sail power, as the Government  
Surveyors discovered, after our  
arrival, a large crack in the crank-  
shaft, which is so serious that she has  
not been allowed to sail even on a  
temporary permit as the owners hoped  
to, and is waiting whilst a new one is  
being constructed by the Takoo  
Dock.

Four days after our arrival my  
officers and engineers, together with  
myself tendered our resignations, to  
take effect when we could be suitably  
replaced.

The owners, on account of my  
having resigned my position, gener-  
ously presented me with a gratuity  
for past services equivalent to what  
is usually given to a man being dis-  
charged without just cause or reason,  
and gave me a reference which  
should assist in keeping the wolf  
from the door, part of which reads  
as follows:—"We much regret to  
have to accept your resignation of the  
7th inst. We wish to state that  
during the time you have been in  
command of our s. "Pheumph," a  
period of nearly three years, we have  
always found you to be a man of  
stern qualities, and in whom the  
utmost confidence can be placed,  
with regard to your profes-



# THE CHINA MAIL EXTRA

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1919.

## SHIP LAUNCH.

### THE "WAR TROOPER."

Another epoch making event in the history of the shipbuilding industry of Hongkong, took place at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's yard this morning when there was launched the s.s. "War Trooper," the third of several standard ships built by the Company to the order of H.M.'s Government. These are the largest vessels ever built by the Company and are, in form and structural arrangement, of the "B" class.

There was a large and representative gathering present, including: H.E. the Governor (Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G.), who was accompanied by his Private Secretary (Capt. J. E. Warner), the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies, K.C.), and Lady Rees-Davies, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mrs. Wolfe, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, O.B.E., and Mrs. Hallifax, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr and Mrs. Parr, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, Dr. J. H. Saunders, Mr. N. S. Browne, Capt. C. W. C. and Mrs. Oliver, Major Kirkpatrick, Lt. Col. Loring and Mrs. Loring, Capt. Basil Taylor, R.N., and Mrs. Taylor, "Comdr. Backwith, R.N., Capt. Arthur, Major Ambrose, Commodore Gurner and Mrs. Gurner, Mr. E. J. Chapman, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. G. M. Yang, Mr. G. M. Shaw, Mr. Greig, Mrs. Matheson, Mr. A. G. Gordon and the Misses Gordon, Mr. R. M. Austin, Mr. J. C. Litch and many others.

Mr. J. R. Reaymes, representative of the purchasers of the vessel—the Greek firm of shipowners, Messrs. N. Ambatielos & Co., of Argostoli, London and Paris, was also present.

When taken over by her new owners, the "War Trooper" will be re-named "Ambatielos," after the name of the firm. Messrs. Ambatielos & Co., have completed, through their representative, negotiations for the purchase of six vessels locally—three from the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks and three from the Tuikeo Docks. The "War Trooper" is the first of the six vessels to be launched.

Lady Rees-Davies performed the ceremony of "christening" the ship after which the fastenings were severed and the "War Trooper" slid gracefully into the water amid the cheers of those present.

After the launching, the gathering adjourned to Mr. Dyer's office, where the "health" of the "War Trooper" and of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company were toasted and enthusiastically drunk.

Addressing those present, Sir Paul Chater, Chairman of the Dock Company, said:—Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen, I am very pleased indeed to see so large and representative a gathering present this morning to welcome Your Excellency at this, your first—but I trust not your last—attendance here. This vessel, the "War Trooper," is the fourth of her class to be launched by this Company in the course of the last two years, but you will be pleased to receive my assurance that she will by no means be the last either in point of number or capacity, (hear, hear) as the Dock Company hope that, during the present year, they will be in a position to "put in the water" approximately 40,000 tons dead weight of new tonnage, and to build engines and boilers of some 20,000 indicated horse power to propel that tonnage (applause)—which, in view of the large amount of repair work now being performed by the Company, I believe you will join me in thinking will be a most creditable performance on the part of all concerned, (applause) and I have no doubt that the "War Trooper" and her sister-ships, will bear outstanding testimony on all the Seven Seas to the merit of our Hongkong shipbuilding (applause). I am generally referred to as a confirmed optimist. Indeed I am, and I glory in the fact, for optimism is more often a "winner" than a "loser," (hear, hear). I have known Hongkong intimately for over 55 years. I have watched it grow up from very early days; and I dare risk being prophetic about its future, which—when it shall be in the position of receiving its supply of iron and coal from the neighbouring Chinese Provinces (and, as I told you on a previous similar occasion, I have every reason to hope it will very soon be in that position)—I unhesitatingly declare will be such that no port in the East shall excel it, and, as the port is the very life of Hongkong, and shipping the life of that port, so shall this Company supply their life blood, to wit, the vessels which go to make the British mercantile marine (applause). I have now to tender our hearty thanks to Lady Rees-Davies for so kindly attending to perform the christening ceremony, to ask her acceptance of a small souvenir of the occasion, and to invite you all to join me in drinking a long and prosperous career to the "War Trooper" and all associated with her.

Sir William Rees-Davies said:—Sir Paul Chater, Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen,—My wife, by no means the first time in the course of my experience has given me a severe command that I must respond to the toast on her behalf, she is far more competent to discharge that duty than I am, the more so as I believe that it would exhaust the power of almost any individual to discover anything new to say upon this occasion. Ladies and gentlemen it has been our happy fortune to come here on several occasions when we have experienced what Sir Paul Chater himself has referred to as cheery optimism. I go further and say that, in fact, whenever I have felt rather depressed and weary I had only to go to Sir Paul for a tonic. It is due to the cheery optimism of Sir Paul that we have always been able to come here and to be fortified with cheery optimism which also acts as a tonic on these periodical occasions. I do not know how it strikes you but it seems to me a most remarkable enterprise that this Dock Company has undertaken from time to time. I can only describe it as putting a penny in a slot. A penny is put into the slot and out comes the War Drummer, another penny is put into the slot and out comes the War Bomber. A third penny is put into the slot and in a very short space of time we get the great ship we have seen launched today. The war has demonstrated, amongst many other things, two things. One is the importance of our powerful Navy and the maintenance of a Great Navy, and the other has demonstrated the necessity for a thoroughly expert and efficient merchant service. This Dock Company has done great work and has a great service to perform. I am sure that we shall continue to do so in Hongkong on many tomes. We may congratulate ourselves that in Hongkong we have been so far totally immune from the state of unrest which has existed in other parts of the world. Fortunately, capital and labour in Hongkong are united. Long may they be so. I observed from the returns just issued that Hongkong enjoys the unique position now of being the greatest port in the world in the point of view of tonnage. I congratulate the Dock Company upon taking a very large share in making it a port worthy of its traditions. On my wife's behalf, I wish to thank Sir Paul Chater and the Directors of the Dock Company for the beautiful present they have given her and also for associating her name with the toast.

H.E. the Governor—Ladies and gentlemen—As I explained privately to Sir Paul Chater, I do not propose to make a speech, all the ground having been covered by the Chief Justice a moment ago. I only desire in a few words to express the sentiments which I feel sure exist in the hearts of all of you at the present moment, and that is to wish continued success and prosperity to the Dock Company.

The toast "the Dock Company" was then drunk.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, the chief manager, expressed his thanks to all present for having come there that morning to see the War Trooper being "put into the water." This is another of the ships which have been built for H.M.'s Government and were now being gradually handed over to their various owners of different nationalities. He trusted that they would prove a credit to their builders and very prosperous argosies. He was sure that the appreciation of the Dock Company's services would not be entirely forgotten when the owners want more ships. The centre of gravity for shipbuilding was gradually coming nearer East and he would not be a bit surprised that with the coal which they expected to obtain from the neighbouring territories in the near future, the dynamic centre of shipbuilding would not be very far from this corner of the East. (Applause) (The toast for the Dock Company was then drunk.)

DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL.—The "War Trooper" is a form and structural arrangement of the "B" class standard type, the accommodation, rigging, boat deck, &c., having been altered to the requirements of owners, and generally in accordance with pre-war practice, thus improving in appearance the outboard profile, (the standard design having hinged masts, short funnel, and boats stowed on deck.) The dimensions are, length between perpendiculars 400 ft. breadth moulded 52 ft. depth moulded 31 ft. There are two steel decks, the second deck 9 ft. below upper deck. The poop, bridge and fore-castle decks are 8 ft. high. Seven watertight bulkheads carried to the upper deck, form four general cargo holds and tween deck spaces, reserve bunker, and engine and boiler room. The latter about 48 ft. in length, is placed a little abaft midships. The poop and bridge are fitted for general cargo, operated by 7 inch by 12 inch steam winches and larger-radius derricks of 5 tons capacity. As mentioned above, the rigging, mast, and derrick arrangement have been entirely revised, suitable for Manchester Canal trading, double derricks of 5 tons capacity and two 7 inch, by 12 inch steam winches working each cargo hatch. The main hatchways are 26 ft. wide, and 80 ft to 34 ft long. All auxiliary machinery on deck, including steering

gear and windlass, is steam driven. About 1,120 tons of water ballast or 840 tons of oil may be carried in the double bottom, and 300 tons of water ballast in the fore and after peak tanks. A large watertight hatch is fitted on the upper deck to the after peak for shipment of general cargo, thus increasing the bale stowage of the vessels to 426,000 cubic feet. Provision is made in holds and tween decks for shifting boards, the total grain capacity being approximately 460,000 cubic feet. The permanent coal bunkers hold 380 tons, but with reserve bunkers the capacity can be increased to 2,070 tons. Excellent accommodation is provided for the officers and crew: captain and wireless operators in a large house on the midship boat deck, officers and engineers in side houses on the bridge, the mess room, smoking room &c., being conveniently situated. A saloon house about 30 feet square is at the fore end of bridge deck and contains captain's state-room and lavatory, pantry, and store-rooms. The petty officers and crew are berthed in the fore-castle. Electric light and fans are fitted in all accommodation, the dynamo having an output of 10 K.W. Necessary connections will be made for portable electric scaling tools being used on any part of the vessel. The vessel will be propelled by one set of triple expansion surface condensing engines having cylinder dimensions 27" - 41" - 73" X 18" stroke. Steam being generated in three single ended boilers 15'5" internal diameter by 11'6" mean length constructed to Lloyd's requirements for a working pressure of 180 lbs. per square inch and capable of 10,000 horse power. No lower boiler is provided, steam for auxiliary engine room and for windlass, winches &c., on deck being supplied from main boilers. A steam driven ash which is fitted. The auxiliary machinery consists of one Weir's feed pump, one Weir's general donkey pump and one ballast pump of the simplex type. The feed water for the boilers is filtered and heated by a special arrangement in the air pump hotwell. Cooling water for the main engine condenser is supplied by an independent steam driven centrifugal circulating pump. A Weir's evaporator is installed capable of producing 25 tons of fresh water per 24 hours. A winch condenser of the non-vacuum type is fitted in engine room complete with all connections for dealing with the exhaust steam from deck winches. Her sister ship the War Snipe upon completion and survey by Lloyd's representative was awarded the highest class and free-board, the resultant deadweight being 8,200 tons, and on trial a speed of 11.1/4 knots per hour was easily maintained.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

### ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP.

2ND ROUND SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER.  
THE Tee will be reserved for players from 9-14 onwards for about half an hour.

C. L. SANDES,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, October 11, 1919.

### HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

#### NOTICE.

#### SERGEANTS' MESS.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING of the members of the SERGEANTS' MESS will be held at Headquarters at 6.30 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 15th instant. All members not on duty to attend.

Committee for Quarter Meeting: Serjeant Major, 1919.

C. M. W. K. N. President.

C. M. W. K. N. President.

Sergeant Major, 1919.

G. E. STEWART, Captain,

Adjutant, H. K. Defence Corps.

Hongkong, October 11, 1919.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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TUESDAY, October 14, 1919,

commencing at 11 a.m.,

at his Sales Rooms Duddell Street,

21 cases Toilet Soap,

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12 Lavatory Basins, (new).

5 cases Assorted Soups,

4 cases Brass Electric Lamp

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12 pieces Oil Cloth,

5 cases Three Boy's Soap,

10 tins Soft Soap.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 11, 1919.



## COMPANY MEETING.

## DAIRY FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

## MR. SCOTT HARTON'S REPLY TO CHARGE OF PROFITEERING.

The annual general meeting of the above Company was held in the Company's offices this afternoon at 12.30. Mr. J. Scott Harton presiding. The others present were Messrs. F. Maithand, W. S. Brown and Mr. Robert (Directors), Mr. J. Walker (Manager), Messrs. T. Oliphant, C. Makeham, W. E. L. Shenton, J. F. Grose and Chan Tong.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, as the report and statement of accounts, together with the auditors' report, have been in your hands for some days, I will, with your permission, adopt the usual course and treat the same as read.

You will notice that the accounts include those concerning the working of the Ice and Cold Storage Department, which were last year submitted in a separate report.

Your Directors regret that the result of the year's working, though by no means unsatisfactory, is not so good as that of the preceding year—a state of affairs which is due to various causes over which the Company has had no control. Running expenses and cost of cattle food have increased to the extent of 50 per cent. to 100 per cent. during the past three years, and are still rising; in addition, the prime cost of imported cattle food advanced, during last year, some 25 per cent. to 30 per cent., whereas the Company's prices for its various commodities have remained unaltered since the commencement of 1915—the price of the Company's fresh milk having remained the same for a period of over 15 years.

The Company's present prices compared with its pre-war prices show an increase averaging 15 per cent. to 20 per cent., while food of every description in England has increased to 100 per cent. to 150 per cent. at least.

In Australia, wholesale prices during the like period have advanced 25 per cent. to 30 per cent., and, according to the latest reports, it is anticipated that in 1920, prices for food in Australia will be higher than ever.

The situation of the Company with regard to dairy cattle is even more acute. Dairy cattle, whereof the cost per head landed in Hongkong was (before the war) £50 to £60, cannot now be imported at under £150 per head; while dairy utensils of every description have advanced in price to the extent of 300 per cent., and, even at that rate, are extremely difficult to obtain.

I may add, that I understand, America is experiencing a shortage of meat, and is, in consequence, importing cattle from Mexico.

With the foregoing facts before you, the reasons for the Company earning decreased profits, in spite of its increased turn-over, become quite obvious.

In the past, the dairy business—which was the original and, for some years, the only business of the Company—was of the greatest assistance in nursing other branches of the Company's business until these latter were placed on a paying basis; but that very dairy business would, this year, have shown a loss, save for the fact that (thanks to your manager's careful selection and care) the average milk yield of the Company's herd has shown considerable improvement, and thus enabled that department to show a profit. You will be glad to know that many of the black and white cattle on our farms are descended from the same family as the famous bull which, at a private sale recently, realised a price of £20,000.

Recognising the necessity for supplying the public with fresh milk, at as low a figure as possible, and, in order to refrain from causing any hardship to classes with moderate means, your Directors—though realising the almost imperative necessity for a contrary policy—refrained, during the past year, from raising the price of milk, but the time is rapidly approaching when your Directors may be compelled to raise the price of that commodity in order to obtain an adequate return on invested capital.

It will no doubt be of interest to you to know that our profit on our turnover is only about 13½ per cent., and that on our invested capital less than 6 per cent., which profit your Directors feel confident is very considerably lower than the profit made by many other retailers in the Colony, who in the majority of cases handle less perishable goods than those handled by this Company. It is solely due to this Company's large turnover that your Directors are able to recommend the dividend they have done. The above figures conclusively show that this Company at least cannot be called a profiteering one.

I would like to mention at this juncture, that, while Chinese retailers and others in the Colony, have been allowed to regulate their prices as they pleased, this Company has been unduly handicapped by the system of control exercised by the Food Committee, which, in the effect, has caused adverse discrimination against this Company in regard to

its prices. The Company has often sold across its counters, food at a cheaper rate than could be obtained in the Chinese Market, and has continued the sale of such articles at a loss rather than disappoint its customers.

You will observe from the accounts that, during the past year, we have spent \$45,853.21 on repairs and renewal. Out of this amount \$20,752.02 was spent on repairs to the old Hongkong Ice Company's buildings, machinery and buildings, which when taken over by this Company, were found to be in a deplorable state of neglect. It will, I understand, be necessary to spend further large sums in order to put the ice works into good running condition, so as to enable them to meet the growing demand; and we contemplate the addition of new and up-to-date ice plant, and the scrapping of obsolete machinery which has stood for years doing nothing beyond rusting.

By the untimely death of Dr. Macfarlane, the Government Bacteriologist, this Company and also the Colony have suffered a serious loss in their deprivation of the services and assistance of a very valuable Government servant. I cannot speak too highly of the services which Dr. Macfarlane along with Mr. Gibson rendered to this Colony, but I may say that it is very largely owing to those services that your Company's cattle are in that excellent state of health which they enjoy to-day. Dr. Macfarlane was one of those men to whom nothing is too much trouble: palm-taking to a degree, he found no detail too small for his attention, and you may well understand therefore what a tower of strength he was to the Company. On behalf of the Company, your Directors take this opportunity of conveying to Mrs. Macfarlane their sincere condolences with her in her sad loss and, at the same time placing on record their keen appreciation of the services rendered by Dr. Macfarlane to the Company over a term of several years.

Your Directors have voted the staff a bonus of 10 per cent. on their salaries, and have created a provident fund for the European staff, which they do not doubt will meet with your unanimous approval.

After making the usual provision for bad and doubtful debts, and writing a sum of \$16,091.41 off machinery, &c., your Directors recommend that the net profits amounting to \$200,867.15 be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share absorbing .....	\$171,000.00
To place to cattle reserve .....	20,000.00
To place to typhoon and fire insurance .....	5,000.00
To carry forward .....	4,867.15
	<b>\$200,867.15</b>

All cattle and stocks have been valued by your manager and secretary and the same are well above their book value.

I should mention that your Directors have considered it advisable, in order to meet the growing demand in Canton for ice, to erect a factory in Shameen for the manufacture of that commodity. The necessary land has been acquired, and the machinery ordered; and we hope to be able to turn out ice in Canton by next summer, which will make Canton independent of Hongkong, and enable residents in Canton and Shameen to obtain cheap and good ice.

As the ice will be mostly consumed by Chinese residents, your Directors have decided to float a separate company to be called "The Hongkong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Company, Limited," with a capital of \$400,000 divided into 40,000 shares of \$10 each, whereof half (namely 20,000 shares) will be offered to Chinese subscribers—thus giving the Chinese an opportunity of sharing in the profits of the new company—while the remaining 20,000 shares will be offered to the shareholders in the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd. (that is, this Company)—which latter Company will be general managers of the proposed new company. The new company will have a board of directors, consisting of six members, of whom three will be Chinese, nominated by the Chinese shareholders, and three will be nominated from the existing members of this Company's board of directors for the time being. I am pleased to say that ready purchasers for the shares to be offered to the Chinese as above are being found, and it is hoped to place the matter in the hands of the Company's solicitors for the formation of the new company in the near future.

Before closing these remarks, I would like to make reference to two further important matters, namely:—First, the most material assistance which the Company has at all times received from the Government, both during and since the late war—assistance without which the Company's interests might have been placed in serious jeopardy—I refer particularly to the occasions whereon the Government gave aid to the Company in regard to embargoes placed upon the export of supplies from other Colonies.

Secondly, I desire to record the deep appreciation of the Board of the whole-hearted devotion to duty

## WEATHER REPORT.

October 11d. 11h. 40m.—Warning to Hongkong, Philian, Coast Ports &c.—Typhoon in Lat. 12° N. Long. 116° E., direction W, velocity 8 to 12 m.p.h.

October 11d. 12h. 15m.—No returns from Vladivostok, Japan or Formosa. Pressure has decreased slightly over S. China, and increased slightly over the Philippines.

The anticyclone now appears to be central over the Yellow Sea.

The depression in the China Sea continues to move westward. At 6 a.m. this morning its centre was probably near the Maclefield Bank.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st 70.33 inches, against an average of 78.43 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on October 12th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. E. winds, strong; cloudy.

2.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 2.

Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 11, 1919.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Taim Sha Tsui during the years 1905-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 1 inch below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 1 inch to the height given in the table.

October 12th to 13, 1919.

Day	Time	High WATER		Low WATER	
		Height	Mean Time	Height	Mean Time
Mon.	12	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Tues.	13	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Wed.	14	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Thurs.	15	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Fri.	16	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Sat.	17	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2
Sun.	18	11 24	5.0	11 11	4.2
		10 48	5.0	10 54	4.2

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 3 p.m.	On date at 3 a.m.	On date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	29.86	29.88	29.81
Temperature	80	77	83
Humidity	58	60	69
Direction of Wind	E	ENE	E
Force	4	3	4
Weather	b	o	o
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open air temperature on the 10th—80  
Lowest open air temperature on the 11th—77

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 11, 1919

displayed by the manager and secretary, and other members of the Company's staff, which has done much to relieve the situation arising out of the strenuous period through which the Company passed during recent years. And, on my own behalf, I would convey my thanks to the secretary, to whom I am indebted for the whole of the data on which this speech is based, and nine-tenths of the substance contained therein.

I now beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted, and I shall be much obliged if some shareholder will kindly second that proposition.

Mr. A. Beattie seconded.

The Chairman: The adoption of the report and accounts having been duly proposed and seconded, I shall be pleased to endeavour to answer to the best of my ability any questions which shareholders may be pleased to raise thereon.

There being no questions, I will now put to this meeting the resolution as proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Beattie that the report and accounts as presented be adopted, and shall be obliged if those in favour will kindly signify in the usual way. Carried.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton proposed and Mr. Oliphant seconded, the re-election of Mr. F. Maithand and Father Robert to the board of directors. Carried.

Mr. Grose proposed and Mr. Chan Tong seconded, the re-election of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming as auditors, at a remuneration of \$600. Carried.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants were ready and the meeting then terminated.



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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nankang	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 14th Oct.
Seattle, Tacoma, Victoria & Vancouver	Olen	The Admiral Line	On 14th Oct., at 11 a.m.
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#### AMERICAN AN INEVITABLE FACTOR IN FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

It is time that the American people execute the order: "about face" and realize that their future is on the Pacific rather than on the Atlantic. Whether the American people wish it or not, their geographical position will force them to become a factor in Far Eastern Affairs. As more than one-half the earth's population is in Asia, which is now at the inception of momentous developments in modern industry and commerce, there is every reason that the people of the United States should rejoice in the territorial propinquity which they enjoy in their relations with the Far East.

The greatest single factor in the Far East is China, which possesses a territory more extensive than that of the United States and a population nearly four times as great. The entire population of South America is only one-seventh of China, whose people are homogeneous and civilized.

#### FAILURE OF UNITED STATES TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR ORIENTAL STUDIES.

Although we have been spending upward of \$10,000,000 a year in missionary labors in China and Japan, lavishly donating educational, medical, and social betterment facilities to the people of the Far East, and although we have extended to them the warmest welcome to Chinese, Japanese, and other Far Eastern students to share in the educational advantages which our country has had to offer, even to the extent of providing hundreds of free

well confine our attention to the study of Chinese, Japanese and Russian.

#### SCHOOLS FOR STUDY IN FAR EAST SHOULD BE PROVIDED.

The civilizations of the Far East are so different from those of Europe, from which the American people spring, that it is necessary that special measures be taken in the initial stages of training. The most effective and most practical way of meeting this situation is to train a considerable number of men in China, Japan and Russia, where they may, by contact with the people, learn the languages and customs of the people as they can nowhere else. There should be established at Peking, at Tokyo, and at Petrograd special schools for the training of Americans in Chinese, Japanese and Russian. Facilities should be provided at each of these schools for 100 men at a time, on a two-year selected students. The United States Congress should provide funds for the maintenance of these schools and offer scholarships carrying \$1,200 a year, exclusive of travelling expenses, to American graduates of higher schools of learning, including technical schools, and so arrange as to embrace men of varying talents and training and from all sections of the United States.

The very fact that these scholarships are offered would lead a great impetus, throughout the country, to the study of things oriental, in order to qualify men to take the examinations prescribed for these scholarships. In fact, as a result of the publicity which would follow in the wake of this arrangement, many of the school boards throughout the country would undoubtedly find it advisable to provide for courses, in their high-school curricula, in the history, geography, and commerce of the Far East. Funds should be provided a full quota of students for a period of 10 years: Thus 50 students would enter each school each year, and in 10 years' time each school will have graduated about 500 students specially trained in the language and civilization of each of these countries, or a total army of 1,500 Americans capable of assisting in interpreting China, Japan, and Russia to the people of the United States.

#### GOVERNMENT SHOULD HAVE FIRST CALL ON GRADUATES.

At Peking and Tokyo the United States Congress has provided for the training of 10 and 6 students, respectively, every two years for the consular service, although at Peking only one student has been sent out during the past two years. The schools now proposed might embrace the student interpreters now provided for by statutory enactment, merely enlarging the present arrangements. The Government would then have the first call on these men for its consular, diplomatic, and other service requirements in its relations with the Far East. Those not chosen by the Government should be free to choose to enter professional or commercial fields in the Far East and in the United States. Undoubtedly some of the men could choose to return to the United States. As the men needed in America would have thorough first-hand information regarding the peoples and institutions of the Far East, there should be no discouragement to men returning to the United States for service at home, where educational institutions and business houses will undoubtedly seek them.

#### CHINA A RICH FIELD FOR RESEARCH—ORIENT NEEDS MEN OF THE WEST.

China is a wonderfully rich field for archaeological, historical, sociological, literary, and economic research, as its four or five thousand years of continuous civilization presents to-day to the outside world a treasure house of human experiences and accomplishments, much of which still remains a sealed book to the peoples of the West. China also presents a great wealth of undeveloped natural resources, as likewise do the vast regions stretching into Central Asia and Asiatic Russia. To open these immense treasures to the influence of modern civilization, so that the world may benefit thereby, requires the co-operation and aid of men from the West trained to know the East.

China, Japan and Russia all need men of the West who have imbibed the environment of their countries, and who, through a knowledge of the language of the peoples of these countries, are able sympathetically to appreciate the problems which modern civilization has to present to these peoples in their efforts to utilize what the West has to teach and to

give and aid them in their adjustments to meet the demands of the new era upon which they have now embarked.

#### AMERICANS NEEDED TO INTERPRET ASIATIC CIVILIZATION TO AMERICANS.

Of still greater importance is America's need of Americans who can correctly interpret to her people the aspirations, ideals, and sentiments of the peoples of Asia. Although Asiatic peoples may do much to interpret themselves to us, yet we shall never correctly understand them and our relations to them until we have them also interpreted to us by our own people, who naturally viewed them from a different angle from that from which they view themselves.

From the commercial viewpoint, American manufacturers and merchants will make real headway in Asiatic markets, where they have their greatest potentialities, only when they follow the methods who have contributed so substantially to their success at home, which includes sending their representatives out to cultivate the friendship of those with which they would seek business. In China business is done over the tea cup rather than over the telephone. Friendship counts for much. America fortunately possesses a marvellous asset in the friendship of the Chinese people, due to her just and sympathetic attitude during the entire 140 years of her relations with China. But Americans fail to realize on this asset because the individual American does not know China and the Chinese people. We need in our business in China hundreds of men able to converse with the Chinese in their own language.

#### ELIMINATION OF COMPRODORES AND INTERPRETERS HIGHLY DESIRABLE.

Three-fifths of the Chinese people speak practically one dialect, Mandarin, and the educated peoples of the other two-fifths are becoming familiar with Mandarins. Railways and modern public schools are eliminating dialectic difference. Foreign business men in China used to depend almost entirely upon the comprodores and had very little direct contact with other Chinese. The day of complete dependence upon comprodores and interpreters is gradually giving way to the time when every live foreign firm in China will have men of its own nationality capable of dealing direct with the Chinese in their own language. Furthermore, foreigners are traveling more each year into the interior and buying from and selling directly to the trade.

The Germans before the war made much headway in trade in China because of their energy in learning the language of the people and seeking direct trade relations. German buyers of hides in Central China were able to purchase their goods 15 per cent. cheaper than were buyers of other nationalities, who purchased through five or six middlemen, so I am informed. German dye merchants learned Chinese and thereby hastened the substitution, by the Chinese synthetic indigo for the natural dye, creating a trade worth \$10,000,000 a year for German indigo. American missionaries, and also the biggest single business organization in China, an American oil company, realize the importance of spreading the light through the medium of the Chinese language. When China's foreign trade, now aggregating about \$1,000,000,000 a year, equals the present per capita foreign trade of Australia, it will be equivalent to \$65,000,000,000 a year. Its resources in men and materials make this possible.

#### KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGE HAS FAR-REACHING ADVANTAGES.

The knowledge of a language of a people carries with it far more than many people seem to realize. It affords a deeper knowledge of the customs and institutions of the people, and, more important still, a sympathy towards these customs and institutions, which it seems difficult to acquire in any other way. Very few Americans in China who speak Chinese express dissatisfaction in living in the country; in fact, most of them are real China boosters, even to the extent of being enthusiastic over the Chinese dietary. Furthermore, with a knowledge of the language, it is easier to appreciate the other man's views as well as political relations. Very few, indeed, are the interpreters who can interpret the enthusiasm and feeling with which one often succeeds in cleaving an argument.

Chinese, Japanese and Russian languages are more difficult of acquisition to the American than are

the Romance languages, for obvious reasons. It is estimated that Chinese is about three times as difficult of acquisition to the American as is French. Japanese and Russian are probably equally difficult. This is another of the reasons why it would be better to study the Asiatic languages in their home atmosphere, where they can be naturally acquired with greater ease than abroad.

#### THE PEACE OF ASIA A MATTER OF GREAT CONCERN FOR UNITED STATES.

The United States is bound, because of its position on the Pacific to develop more intimate relations with the peoples of Asia year by year. It will do so whether it wishes or not. It is one of the responsibilities which attaches to its position. America will feel the effect of disturbing elements in the atmosphere of the Far East. The peace of Asia is even more a concern to the United States than is the peace of Europe, for, in its final analysis, America will have to stand much of the brunt of any serious dislocation of the political atmosphere of the Far East. Its opportunities on the Pacific are without limit, but its responsibilities will prove equally great. The only way it can meet those opportunities and responsibilities, creditably to its own civilization and its own position, is by an intelligent and sympathetic understanding of the peoples of Asia and the present problems confronting them in their relations one with another and with the West. The war has taught us that we are a part of the world rather than apart from the world, but we have yet to learn that we are particularly a part of the great world across the Pacific. INTELLIGENT UNDERSTANDING OF FAR EAST ESSENTIAL.

The United States will in the future succeed best in commanding the respects of the peoples of Asia when those peoples learn to know that the American people know them and temper this knowledge with justice. The record of our century and a half's relations with China is one of which we may well be proud. It has been achieved through a persistent, underlying desire always to do right, coupled with a goodly measure of what Americans term "hull luck." While it is to be hoped that we shall continue to persist in the desire to do right, yet we can not always bank on the other element, especially so as conditions are growing more and more complex with the introduction of other factors into the Far Eastern situation. Our only safe policy for the future is one based upon an intelligent understanding of the Far East and its peoples. This is a most essential factor. Without it we may unwittingly make some very disastrous mistakes, and our worst good luck may not be able to save us at the most critical moments.

The most effective way to learn to know a people is through the medium of their language. Americans should lose no time in providing facilities which will permit a considerable number of its trained men to learn the languages of the Chinese, Japanese, and Russian peoples. This should be done in no small and higgledy way; in fact, it will only be a success when undertaken in the true American spirit, with full cognizance of the great importance, which its work will have upon our future relations with the peoples comprising one-half the world's population. The seven or eight hundred thousand dollars a year required for the support of this plan is a small sum indeed compared with the benefits which its effective consummation will bring to the peoples of both America and Asia in their mutual, political, commercial and social relations. Indirectly the work will produce a much needed reaction upon the whole American people, as it will undoubtedly result in an effective extension of the study of the civilizations of the Far East throughout the United States. The aggregate cost of this plan over a period of 10 years will be less than the money spent each year in American missionary work in China, and less than the amount of the Boxer indemnity fund as returned by the United States to China and under the provisions of which 100 Chinese students are being sent to America each year to profit by the best which our country has to offer by way of educational facilities. Unless we send a goodly number of our young men to the Far East to learn to know Asia we shall fail in the responsibilities and opportunities which our geographical position thrusts upon us. Can we afford any longer to delay remedying the present one-sided policy of our attitude toward the peoples of the Far East?

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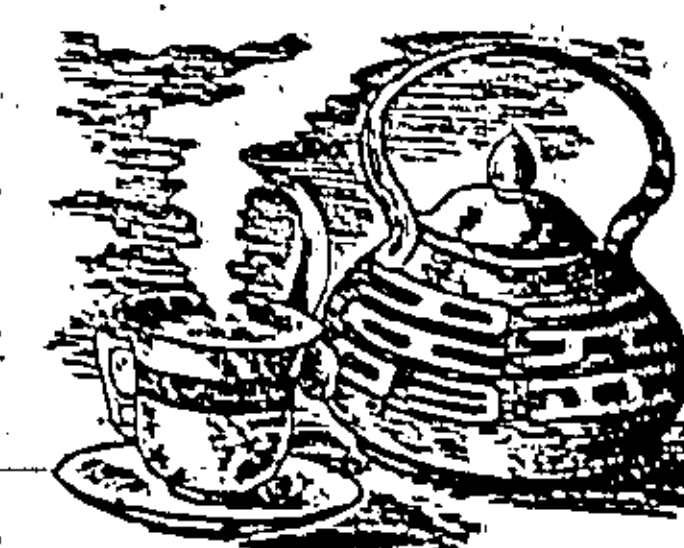
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### WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. W. Logan & Co. report on October 10:

Since our report of the 3rd inst., our local market has been quiet owing to the temporary tightness of money but we believe money will shortly be easier and expect prices to improve. The Shanghai Market in Cottons has advanced but Chinese holidays have interfered with business.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks remain nominal at \$670 but shares could be placed at that rate. Marine Insurances.—Cantons are wanted at \$140. North China at \$125. 200 and Far Eastern at \$125. Unions are offering at \$215 and Yangtze at \$125.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fire is strong with buyers at \$347. China Fire remains nominal at \$185. Shipping.—Indo-China (deferred) share. Douglases are enquired for more shares can be had at that figure. The London rate is \$26 per share. Douglases are enquired for at \$83 cash and \$85 December delivery. Macao Steamships have buyers at \$244. Shell Transport are strong with buyers at 185/- Star Ferries are quiet with possible sellers at \$34.

Refineries.—No business has been reported in this market. China Sugars remain nominal at \$177. Malabons \$46. We understand the price of raw sugar has advanced considerably during the week.

Docks and Wharves.—Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves, a considerable business has been done in this stock, on Tuesday the shares were quoted at \$108 sellers but have since improved to a buying rate of \$112. Kowloon Docks have buyers at \$178 ex. dividend (interim) of \$4.

Cottons.—Not much business has taken place in this market but prices are well maintained. Ewos have buyers at \$240. Kung Yik \$134. Shanghai Cottons \$125 and Yangtze \$125.

Miscellaneous.—Cements have changed hand in large quantities and more shares are enquired for. Short sellers have depressed the market by offering cash shares and are now endeavouring to cover. China Lights are wanted at \$74 (old) and \$74 (new) shares. Hongkong Ropes have buyers at \$23, Steam Laundries at \$84, Steel Foundries at \$10, Watsons \$6.15, Powells \$12 and Wisemans \$20, all buyers.

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Francisco M. Benedicto, Hongkong, October 10.

### DANCING.

The enterprising Proprietor of the Palace Hotel has again secured the Band from s.s. "Nile" for tonight. Two dances have been held in the Hotel this week and they have been such a success that at the request of many Patrons it has been decided to hold another one on to night, commencing at 9 p.m. The Band will play for Dinner from 7.30 p.m. Tables for Dinner can be reserved by Phone K 3 \$125.

### TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received at the U.S. Consulate from the Manila Observatory at 4 p.m. October 10. Low pressure area over N. China Sea. A typhoon may develop later.

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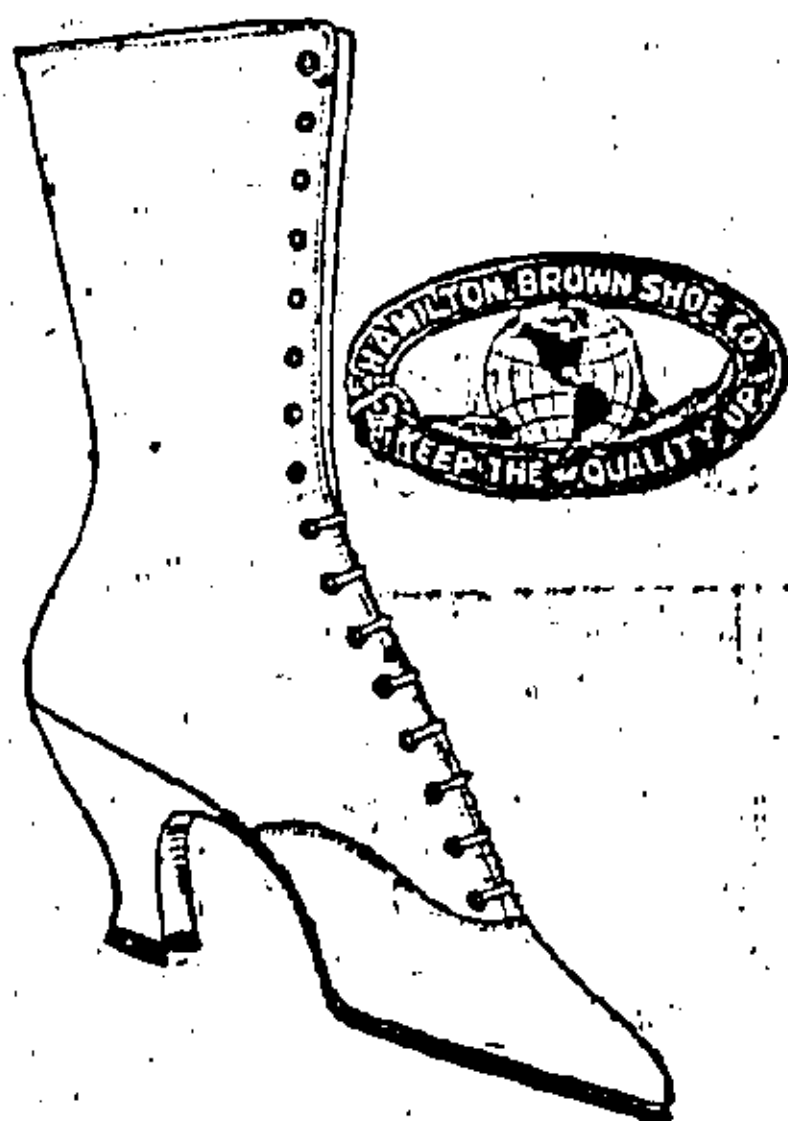
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### "PETERLOO."

THE CENTENARY IN MANCHESTER.

"Peterloo, 1819: Labourloo, 1919." That was the inscription on one of the banners carried on August 16 in the Peterloo centenary procession. A hundred years had passed since, near the spot where the procession assembled, some 60,000 persons, gathered together to ask their elementary political and social rights, were dispersed by cavalry, eleven dead and about 600 wounded remaining on St. Peter's Field. Thirteen years later the Reform Act was on the Statute-book.

Mr. Clynnes, who was expected to speak, was unable to be present. Mr. Tom Mann, Mr. Ben Turner, of Batley, Mr. L. Brasington, and others spoke to a resolution which commemorated the martyrs of Peterloo and called upon those present to carry on the work they had begun. Shelley—the poet Lord Percy Shelley—as one speaker called him—will apparently yet find favour in unexpected places, if only because he wrote "The Masque of Anarchy." It was liberally quoted, and two of its lines were blazoned on a banner.

Shake your chains to earth like dew;

Ye are many, they are few.

At a mass meeting called by the Manchester and Salford Independent Labour Party Federation to celebrate the centenary, the chief speakers were Mr. Philip Snowden, Mrs. K. Bruce Glasier, Mrs. Annot Robinson, Messrs. R. J. Davies and T. M. Larrad.

Mr. J. H. Hudson, who presided, pointed out that Peterloo taught the workers that the real enemy of freedom was not fastened up in St. Helena, but was entrenched in their own country. Contrasting the power of the strike with the power of the vote, he asserted that if the workers refused to develop the power of the vote they could not expect to win the better conditions for which the Peterloo martyrs had met.

Mr. Philip Snowden, who had an enthusiastic reception, said they would do no honour to the memory of those who met on that spot a hundred years ago if their tribute were merely a demonstration. They must honour their memory by taking up and completing their unfinished task. To-day they were, having controversies about the respective spheres and the respective utility and value of industrial action and political action. They had had them all through the century. Unfortunately the great democracy of this country had yet to realise that it was neither by industrial action nor by political

action that their salvation was going to be achieved, but by a wise and constant combination of the use of both. (Cheers.) It would be time to decry political action when political action had been tried. Parliament was what the people made it. He had no patience with those who condemned the Parliamentary institution until the working-people had captured that institution and made the utmost of its possibilities. (Hear, hear.)

"THE END OF THE CAPITALISTIC SYSTEM."

Contrasting the conditions of to-day with those of the days of Peterloo, Mr. Snowden said that a hundred years ago the capitalist system was born. To-day we had come to the end of the capitalist system, and unless that fact was realised by those concerned with the government of the country and the production of schemes of social reconstruction, all their methods would be of no avail, and all their schemes would be as houses built upon the sand, which would disappear when the first storm of wind blew upon them.

"A hundred years of capitalism, and to-day," Mr. Snowden proceeded, "nearly a million people out of work. In 1914 your country needs you. In 1919 nobody wants you. (Loud cheers.) With all our capacity for producing houses, a million of our people crowded into tenements in which a profiteer would not lodge his horse. Children still taken away from school just when their real education ought to begin. The Chancellor of the Exchequer confesses in the House of Commons that the country is on the verge of national bankruptcy, and a month ago the War Loan was advertised as the most profitable and the best security in the world. (Loud laughter.)

A century of capitalism and a National Debt to-day of eight thousand million pounds. (Loud cheers.) On the day when we were celebrating peace there was no peace. Twenty-four wars were being waged, all of which had arisen out of this great war. And in place of a Peace Treaty which would heal broken wounds, cause by-gones to be by-gones, which would unite all the good men and women of all lands in a determination that there should be no more war, we have a mockery of a peace which aggravates all the causes of international hatred and ill-will

which existed before 1914." (Hear, hear.)

DEMOCRACY AND THE PEACE TREATY.

The state of Europe to-day, Mr. Snowden continued, was probably far more serious and menacing than after the so-called Peace of Vienna in 1815—a peace which was heralded, as this was heralded, by the claim that it was going to establish a holy alliance of nations which would maintain universal peace in Europe. And it was because the people of England and the Continental countries had allowed their foreign policy to be dictated by kings and emperors and diplomats, and had no voice in it themselves. (Cheers.) Capitalism was in its death throes, but its struggles would be violent. They were to be seen in the concentrated attacks which were being made to-day wherever democracy raised its head and overthrew existing autocratic Governments—in Russia and Austria. Nor need we cast our eyes so far afield. During the last three years it had required nothing but the policy of the British Government towards Ireland to condemn as hypocrisy their claims that the war was being fought in the interests of small nations and to establish the principles and the rights of self-determination. (Cheers.)

Persia was an ancient nation, with a history of thousands of years. Its present Shah was a mere boy, who had been induced by pressure and threats to agree to the infamous agreement between Great Britain and Persia which had just been published. Of course, the independence of Persia was to be sacredly safeguarded. (Laughter.) When he read that he was reminded of the preamble to the treaty in regard to Morocco. Under that treaty each of the five Great European Powers who signed it, solemnly pledged themselves before Almighty God to respect the independence and sovereignty of Morocco. A few weeks later two of those Powers concluded a secret agreement to divide the kingdom between themselves. "This," Mr. Snowden asserted, "is another case of annexation. It is Egypt over again. It imposes new financial burdens upon the British taxpayer, and it will aggravate international complications." (Cheers.)

Mr. Wallhead, referring to the action of the British Government in Russia, said that the money now being spent there would have been put to much better purpose if used in erecting houses for the thousands who needed them in this country. A resolution was adopted—with only two dissentients—pledging those present to continue the fight for democracy and Socialism.

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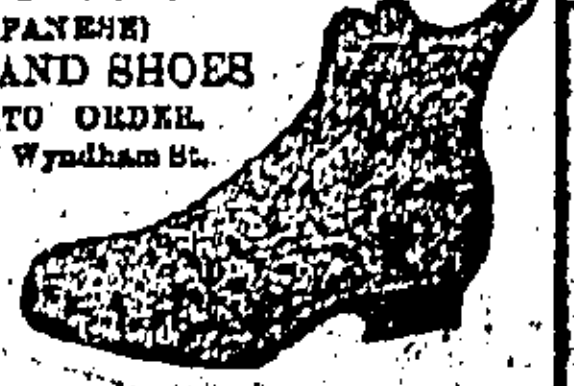
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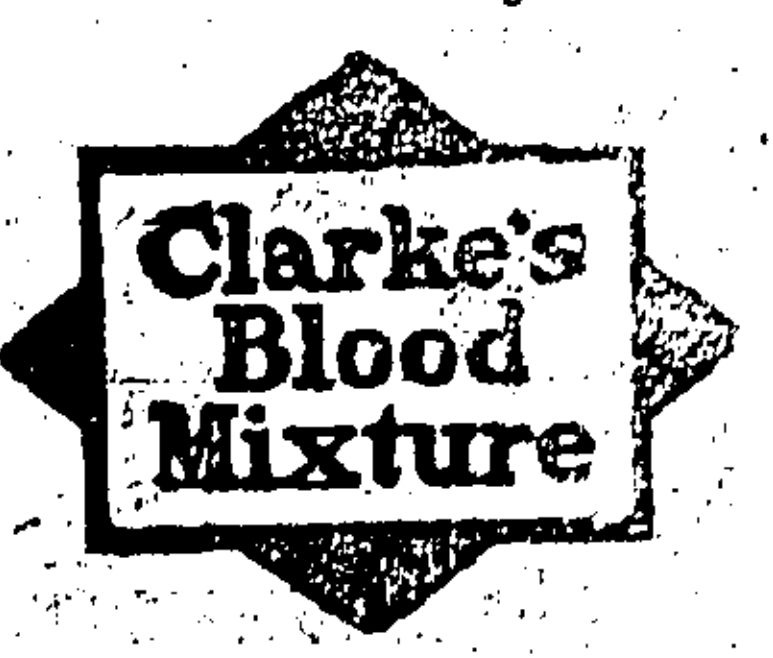
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